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| Aggregated field name and constituent fields  Life sciences  Agricultural sciences and natural resources  Agricultural sciences  Agricultural animal breeding |
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| Agricultural sciences and natural resources Agricultural sciences Agricultural animal breeding  |
| Agricultural sciences Agricultural animal breeding  |
| Agricultural animal breeding  |
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|   |
| Agricultural economics  |
| Agronomy, horticulture science, plant breeding, plant pathology, plant sciences-other <sup>†</sup>  |
| Agricultural and horticultural plant breeding   |
| Agronomy and crop science   |
| Horticulture science  |
| Plant pathology and phytopathology, agricultural  |
| Plant sciences, other   |
| Animal nutrition, poultry science <sup>†</sup>  |
| Animal nutrition  |
| Animal science, poultry or avian*   |
| Animal sciences, other  |
| Food science, food technology-other <sup>†</sup>  |
| Food science  |
| Food science and technology, other*   |
| Soil chemistry and microbiology, soil sciences-other <sup>†</sup>   |
| Soil chemistry, microbiology <sup>*</sup>   |
| Soil sciences, other  |
| Natural resources and conservation  |
| Environmental science   |
| Fishing and fisheries sciences and management   |
| Forest biology, forest management, forestry sciences-other <sup>†</sup>   |
| Forest management, forest resources management*   |
| Forest sciences and biology*  |
| Forestry, other   |
| Natural resources policy and environmental economics <sup>†</sup>   |
| Natural resource and environmental policy   |
| Natural resources and environmental economics (agricultural sciences)*  |
| Natural resources and conservation, wildlife and range management <sup>†</sup>  |
| Natural resources and conservation  |
| Wildlife, range management*   |
| Agricultural sciences, aggregated†  |
| Agricultural sciences and natural resources, general*   |
| Agricultural sciences and natural resources, other  |
| Biological and biomedical sciences  |
| Anatomy, developmental biology <sup>†</sup>   |
| Anatomy*  |
| Developmental biology and embryology  |
| Bacteriology, parasitology, and virology <sup>†</sup>   |
| Bacteriology*   |
| Parasitology*   |
| Virology  |
| Biochemistry (biological sciences)  |
| Bioinformatics  |

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| gregated field name and constituent fields                |
| Biomedical sciences                                       |
| Biometrics and biostatistics                              |
| Biophysics (biological sciences)                          |
| Botany, plant pathology, plant physiology <sup>†</sup>    |
| Botany and plant biology                                  |
| Plant pathology and phytopathology (biological sciences)* |
| Plant physiology*   |
| Cancer biology  |
| Cell, cellular biology, and histology                     |
| Computational biology                                     |
| Ecology   |
| Endocrinology, human / animal pathology†                  |
| Endocrinology*  |
| Pathology, human and animal*                              |
| Entomology  |
| Environmental toxicology                                  |
| Epidemiology  |
| Evolutionary biology                                      |
| Genetics and genomics, human and animal                   |
| Immunology  |
| Microbiology  |
| Molecular biology   |
| Molecular medicine  |
| Neurosciences, neurobiology                               |
| Nutrition sciences  |
| Pharmacology, human and animal                            |
| Physiology, human and animal                              |
| Plant genetics  |
| Structural biology  |
| Toxicology  |
| /ildlife biology, zoology <sup>†</sup>                    |
| Wildlife biology  |
| Zoology*  |
| Biological and biomedical sciences, general               |
| Biotechnology, biology / biomedical sciences-other†       |
| Biotechnology*  |
| Biological and biomedical sciences, other                 |
| lealth sciences   |
| Environmental health                                      |
| Health and behavior                                       |
| Health services / systems administration†                 |
| Health systems administration*                            |
| Health services research                                  |
| Kinesiology, exercise science                             |
| Medical physics, radiological science                     |
| Nursing science   |
| Pharmaceutical sciences                                   |
| Public health Public health                               |

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| Aggregated field name and constituent fields   |   |
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| Rehabilitation, therapeutic services   | _ |
| Speech-language pathology and audiology  | _ |
| Health sciences, aggregated <sup>†</sup>   | _ |
| Gerontology (health sciences)*   |   |
| Oral biology, oral pathology <sup>*</sup>  |   |
| Veterinary sciences  |   |
| Health sciences, general   |   |
| Health sciences, other   |   |
| Physical sciences and earth sciences   |   |
| Chemistry  |   |
| Analytical chemistry   |   |
| Chemical biology   |   |
| Inorganic chemistry  |   |
| Medicinal chemistry  |   |
| Organic chemistry  |   |
| Physical chemistry   |   |
| Polymer chemistry  |   |
| Theoretical chemistry  |   |
| Chemistry, general   |   |
| Chemistry, other   |   |
| Geosciences, atmospheric, and ocean sciences   |   |
| Atmospheric science and meteorology  |   |
| Atmospheric physics, meteorology <sup>†</sup>  |   |
| Atmospheric physics and dynamics*  |   |
| Meteorology <sup>*</sup>   |   |
| Atmospheric chemistry, atmospheric sciences-general, atmospheric sciences-other <sup>†</sup> |   |
| Atmospheric chemistry and climatology  |   |
| Atmospheric science and meteorology, general   |   |
| Atmospheric science and meteorology, other*  | Π |
| Geological sciences  |   |
| Geochemistry, mineralogy <sup>†</sup>  |   |
| Geochemistry   | _ |
| Mineralogy and petrology*  | _ |
| Geology  | _ |
| Geomorphology, geological sciences-general, geological sciences-other <sup>†</sup>           | _ |
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| Geomorphology, glacial geology*  | _ |
| Geological sciences, general  Geological sciences, other                                     |   |
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| Geophysics and seismology  | _ |
| Paleontology, stratigraphy <sup>†</sup>  | _ |
| Paleontology <sup>*</sup>  | _ |
| Stratigraphy and sedimentation*  | _ |
| Ocean and marine sciences  | _ |
| Marine biology and biological oceanography   | _ |
| Oceanography, chemical and physical  | _ |
| Ocean / marine sciences, aggregated†   | _ |
| Hydrology and water resources  | _ |
| Marine sciences  | _ |

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| Aggregated field name and constituent fields   |
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| Ocean and marine sciences, other*  |
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| Physics and astronomy Astronomy and astrophysics   |
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| Astronomy  |
| Astrophysics   |
| Astronomy and astrophysics, other  |
| Physics Associated (all the size of the si |
| Acoustics, optics / photonics†   |
| Acoustics*   |
| Optics, photonics  |
| Applied physics  |
| Atomic physics, polymer physics <sup>†</sup>   |
| Atomic, molecular, chemical physics  |
| Polymer physics*   |
| Biophysics (physics)   |
| Condensed matter, low-temperature physics  |
| Elementary particle physics  |
| Nuclear physics  |
| Plasma, high-temperature physics   |
| Physics, general   |
| Physics, other   |
| Mathematics and computer sciences  |
| Computer and information sciences  |
| Computer science   |
| Information science, systems   |
| Computer and information sciences, general   |
| Computer and information sciences, other   |
| Mathematics and statistics   |
| Algebra  |
| Analysis and functional analysis   |
| Applied mathematics, computing theory <sup>†</sup>   |
| Applied mathematics  |
| ·  |
| Computing theory and practice*   |
| Computational mathematics  |
| Geometry, geometric analysis   |
| Logic, topology / foundations†   |
| Logic <sup>*</sup>   |
| Topology and foundations   |
| Number theory  |
| Operations research, mathematics / statistics-general, mathematics / statistics-other  |
| Operations research (mathematics)*   |
| Mathematics and statistics, general  |
| Mathematics and statistics, other  |
| Statistics (mathematics)   |
| Psychology and social sciences   |
| Psychology   |
| Behavioral analysis  |
| Clinical psychology  |
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| ggregated field name and constituent fields  |
| Cognitive neuroscience   |
| Cognitive psychology and psycholinguistics   |
| Community psychology   |
| Counseling   |
| Developmental and child psychology   |
| Educational psychology (psychology)  |
| Experimental psychology  |
| Family psychology, human development and family studies <sup>†</sup>                               |
| Family psychology*   |
| Human development and family studies   |
| Health, medical psychology   |
| Industrial and organizational psychology   |
| Marriage and family therapy, counseling  |
| Neuropsychology, physiological psychology  |
| School psychology (psychology)   |
| Social psychology  |
| Psychology, general  |
| Psychology, aggregated <sup>†</sup>  |
| Personality psychology*  |
|  |
| Psychometrics and quantitative psychology  |
| Psychology, other  |
| Social sciences  |
| Anthropology   |
| Anthropology, cultural   |
| Anthropology, general  |
| Anthropology, physical and biological  Economics   |
|  |
| Econometrics, economics <sup>†</sup>   |
| Econometrics*  |
| Other economics  |
| Natural resources and environmental economics (social sciences)                                    |
| Political science and government   |
| Sociology  |
| Other social sciences  |
| American, U.S. studies   |
| Applied linguistics  |
| Archaeology (social sciences)  |
| Area, ethnic, and cultural studies   |
| Criminal justice and corrections   |
| Criminology  |
| Demography, gerontology, statistics, urban affairs, social sciences-general, social sciences-other |
| Demography and population studies*   |
| Gerontology (social sciences)*   |
| Statistics (social sciences)*  |
| Urban studies, affairs*  |
| Social sciences, general   |
| Social sciences, other   |
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| Gender and women's studies   |

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| eda)<br>Aggregated field name and constituent fields                        |
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|   |
| Geography   |
| Health policy analysis  |
| History, science and technology and society                                 |
| International relations, international affairs                              |
| Linguistics   |
| Public policy analysis  |
| Urban, city, community and regional planning                                |
| Engineering   |
| Aerospace, aeronautical, and astronautical engineering                      |
| Bioengineering and biomedical engineering                                   |
| Chemical engineering  |
| Civil engineering   |
| Electrical, electronics, and communications engineering                     |
| Industrial and manufacturing engineering                                    |
| Materials science engineering   |
| Mechanical engineering  |
| Other engineering   |
| Computer engineering  |
| Environmental, environmental health engineering                             |
| Nuclear engineering   |
| Robotics  |
| Structural engineering  |
| Systems engineering   |
| Other engineering, aggregated <sup>†</sup>                                  |
| Agricultural engineering*   |
| Communications engineering*   |
| Engineering management, administration*                                     |
| Engineering mechanics*  |
| Engineering physics*  |
| Engineering science*  |
| Geotechnical and geoenvironmental engineering                               |
| Metallurgical engineering*  |
| Ocean engineering *   |
| Operations research (engineering)   |
|   |
| Petroleum engineering*  |
| Polymer, plastics engineering   |
| Transportation and highway engineering                                      |
| Engineering, general  |
| Engineering, other Education  |
| Education Education administration  |
|   |
| Educational administration and supervision                                  |
| Educational and human resource studies, development  Educational leadership |
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| Urban education and leadership  Education research                          |
| Counseling education, counseling and guidance                               |
| Curriculum and instruction  |
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| Aggregated field name and constituent fields   |
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| Aggregated field name and constituent fields   |
| Educational assessment, testing, measurement   |
| Educational policy analysis  |
| Educational psychology (education)   |
| Educational statistics, research methods   |
| Educational / instructional technology, media design†  |
| Educational and instructional media design <sup>*</sup>  |
| Educational and instructional technology   |
| Higher education evaluation and research   |
| International education  |
| Learning sciences  |
| School psychology (education)  |
| Social and philosophical foundations of education  |
| Special education  |
| Teacher education <sup>†</sup>   |
| Adult and continuing teacher education   |
| Elementary teacher education*  |
| Pre-elementary, early childhood teacher education  |
| Secondary teacher education*   |
| Teaching fields  |
| Health education   |
| Literacy and reading education   |
| Mathematics education  |
| Music education  |
| Science education  |
| Teaching fields, aggregated†   |
| Agricultural education   |
| Art education  |
| Bilingual and multilingual education*  |
| English as a second or foreign language <sup>*</sup>   |
| English education  |
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| Family, consumer, and human sciences*  |
| Foreign languages education*   |
| Nursing education  |
| Physical education and coaching*   |
| Social science education*  |
| Teacher education and professional development, other  |
| Other education  |
| Workforce education and development  |
| Education, general   |
| Education, other   |
| Humanities and arts  |
| Foreign languages and literature   |
| French   |
| Germanic language and literature   |
| Spanish language and literature  |
| Other languages, aggregated <sup>†</sup>   |
| Arabic language and literature*  |
| Chinese language and literature*   |
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| Field)  |
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| Aggregated field name and constituent fields                          |
| Italian <sup>*</sup>  |
| Japanese language and literature*                                     |
| Latin American languages and literature                               |
| Russian language and literature*                                      |
| Foreign languages and literatures, other                              |
| History   |
| American history, United States and Canada                            |
| Asian history   |
| European history  |
| Latin American history  |
| Middle, Near East history   |
| History, general  |
| History, aggregated <sup>†</sup>                                      |
| African history*  |
| History, other  |
| Letters   |
| American literature, United States and Canada                         |
| Classics  |
| Comparative literature  |
| English language  |
| English literature, British and Commonwealth                          |
| Rhetoric and composition  |
| Speech and rhetorical studies   |
| Letters, aggregated†  |
| Creative writing  |
| Letters, general*   |
| Letters, other*   |
| Other humanities and arts   |
| African American studies, literature, and history                     |
| Art history, criticism, and conservation                              |
| Dance, drama <sup>†</sup>   |
| Dance*  |
| Drama, theater arts   |
| Film, cinema, video studies   |
| Music   |
| Musicology and ethnomusicology  |
| Music performance   |
| Music theory and composition  |
| Philosophy, ethics <sup>†</sup>                                       |
| Ethics  |
| Philosophy  Political / religious studies - lewish / Judeis studies t |
| Religion / religious studies, Jewish / Judaic studies†                |
| Jewish, Judaic studies*   |
| Religion, religious studies   |
| Theology, religious education   |
| Other humanities, aggregated <sup>†</sup>                             |
| Archaeology (humanities)*   |
| Bible, biblical studies   |

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(Field)

| Aggregated field name and constituent fields  Music, other* |  |
|---|--|
| ·   |  |
| Humanities, general   |  |
| Humanities, other   |  |
| Other <sup>a</sup>  |  |
| Business management and administration                      |  |
| Accounting  |  |
| Business administration and management                      |  |
| Finance   |  |
| Human resources, organizational behavior <sup>†</sup>       |  |
| Human resources development*                                |  |
| Organizational behavior                                     |  |
| Management information systems, business statistics         |  |
| Marketing management and research                           |  |
| Other aggregated business fields <sup>†</sup>               |  |
| Business, managerial economics*                             |  |
| Hospitality, food service, and tourism management*          |  |
| International business, trade, commerce*                    |  |
| Operations research (business)*                             |  |
| Business management and administration, general             |  |
| Business management and administration, other               |  |
| Communication   |  |
| Communication research                                      |  |
| Mass communication, media studies                           |  |
| Communication, general                                      |  |
| Communication, aggregated <sup>†</sup>                      |  |
| Communication theory*                                       |  |
| Film, radio, TV and digital communication*                  |  |
| Communication, other  |  |
| Non-S&E fields nec  |  |
| Architecture and environmental design                       |  |
| Family, consumer sciences and human sciences                |  |
| Parks, sports, recreation, leisure and fitness              |  |
| Public administration                                       |  |
| Social work   |  |
| Fields nec, aggregated <sup>†</sup>                         |  |
| Law <sup>*</sup>  |  |
| Library science*  |  |
| Other fields nec <sup>*</sup>                               |  |
| Unknown field   |  |

<sup>† =</sup> aggregated field in 2019.

nec = not elsewhere classified; S&E = science and engineering.

#### Note(s):

Aggregated fields appear in tables 16 and 22 only.

<sup>\* =</sup> fine field with fewer than 25 U.S. citizen or permanent resident doctorate recipients in 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Includes other non-S&E fields not shown separately.

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